



**ARLINGTON
STREET CHURCH**
Unitarian Universalist

SATURDAY, JUNE 12TH, 2004
A Celebration of Pride



**THE FIRST PRINCIPLE OF
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISM:**

**We covenant to
affirm and promote
the inherent worth and
dignity of every person.**

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Founded in 1729

Gathered in love and service for justice and peace

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PRELUDE Rodger Vine, Organist

INTROIT Ramien
Get Free! (Freedom Dance)

WELCOME AND GREETINGS Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT

Paul Fisher (Norwegian), Fumi Kanaya (Japanese), Darrick Jackson (French), Ethan Field (Swahili), Gene Falco (Italian), Sarah Duncan (Tamil)

Love is the spirit of this congregation, And service is our gift.
This is our great covenant: To dwell together in peace,
To speak our truths in love, And to help one another.

¡PRESENTE! Kate Starr
Our Beloved Community of Memory and Hope

***SONG**

We are a Gentle Angry People *Holly Near*

1. We are a gentle, angry people,
and we are singing, singing for our lives...
2. We are a justice-seeking people...
3. We are young and old together...
4. We are a land of many colors...
5. We are gay and straight together...
6. We are a gentle, loving people...

REFLECTION David Wilson and Robert Compton
Legal at Last!

HONORING COURAGE AND COMMITMENT

Celebrating the Victory and Legal Marriages of

Julie and Hillary Goodridge
David Wilson and Robert Compton
Gloria Bailey and Linda Davies
Richard Linnell and Gary Chalmers
Maureen Brodoff and Ellen Wade
Gina Smith and Heidi Norton
Ed Balmelli and Michael Horgan

(in order of appearance: Darrick Jackson, Alan Helms, Rabbi Howard Berman)

ANTHEM

Adam Sutton and Joe Della Penna

The Impossible Dream

*Mitch Leigh*from *Man of La Mancha*lyrics by *Joe Darion*arr. by *Joe Della Penna*

At this time in our service, the plaintiff couples will leave to serve as Grand Marshalls of the Pride Parade!

OFFERTORY

Adam Sutton and Joe Della Penna

We welcome a donation of \$10 to support the work of the congregation. Please place contributions in an envelope so they may be credited toward your pledge or gift.

I Am What I Am

*Jerry Herman*from *La Cage Aux Folles*arr. by *Joe Della Penna***COMMUNITY AFFIRMATIONS**Lesbians

Sarah Duncan

Beloved sisters, because of our importance to the world, now and forever, I promise to remember that my love is beautiful and I am courageous and sensual!

I am lesbian.

Gay Men

Darrick Jackson

Beloved brothers, because of our importance to the world, now and forever, I promise to remember that my love is beautiful and I am strong and nurturing!

I am gay.

Bisexuals

Deborah Block-Schwenk

Beloved sisters and brothers, because of our importance to the world, now and forever, I promise to remember that my love is beautiful and I am whole and free!

I am bisexual

Transgenderers

Rev. Laurie J. Auffant

Beloved sisters and brothers, because of our importance to the world, now and forever, I promise to remember that my love is beautiful and I am fully human and complete!

I am transgender.

Heterosexuals

George Whitehouse and Jamie Crawford

Beloved sisters and brothers, because of our importance to the world, now and forever, I promise to remember that my love is beautiful, as your love is beautiful.

I am heterosexual.

All

Beloved sisters and brothers, beloved family, because of our importance to the world, now and forever, I

promise to remember that our love is beautiful. We are courageous and sensual, strong and nurturing, whole and free, fully human and complete!
Your love is good, our love is good, all love is good!

***SONG**

We Are Family
as sung by Sisters Sledge

*Bernard Edwards and
Nile D. Rodgers*

We are family, I got all my sisters with me!
We are family, Get up everybody and sing!

POSTLUDE

Rodger Vine, Organist

Please join us as we walk together to the corner of Boylston and Clarendon Streets to join the parade!

GENEROUS GIFTS FOR THE PLAINTIFFS WERE MADE BY:

Remien

Edwin and James of *MrandMr.com and MrsandMrs.com tee-shirts*

Ginny Remedi-Brown of *Ginny Remedi-Brown: Jewels for the Journey*

WITH MANY THANKS TO:

All of you attending today's service!

Rev. George G. Whitehouse, bellringer

The decorators, musicians, participants,
publicists, speakers, and ushers

The Arlington Street Church Pride 2004 Committee:

Joe Della Penna, Alan Helms, Darrick Jackson, Lisa Kemper,

Elisa Lucozzi, Marjorie Matty, Kate Starr, Adam Sutton,

Lewis Woelk, and The ASC Worship Committee...

and Rabbi Howard Berman and Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

The staff of Arlington Street Church

* You are invited to stand as you are willing and able

“We covenant to affirm and promote the inherent worth and dignity of every person.”

This is the first of the seven principles and purposes of Unitarian Universalism that our congregations covenant to affirm and promote. To read all seven, as well as the six sources of our free faith, please turn a few pages into the hymnal, *Singing the Living Tradition*.

Welcome!

TO ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH, UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Whether a long-time member, a regular worshipper or a first-time visitor, we warmly welcome you to this morning's service. The experience of worship in this congregation strives to create a *community of seekers*, celebrating and nurturing a broad diversity of personal spiritual journeys.

Unitarian Universalism is rooted in a rich, historic tradition that embraces the ancient foundations of Jewish and Christian teaching and the flowering of liberal religious thought in early New England. It also affirms the truths of all of humanity's sacred paths as inspirations for our spiritual growth. Through quiet prayer and meditation, beautiful music, the sharing of our joys and concerns, and the message of the pulpit, we try to create a variety of textures and perspectives to speak to many different minds and hearts.

Most significantly, since its founding in 1729, Arlington Street Church has been "gathered in love and service for justice and peace." The ultimate meaning we can give to our experience together here is the challenge we take into our hearts to go forth from this place, working to transform and heal our lives and relationships, our community, and the world!

Please take a moment to complete this card so that we may welcome you more fully to our congregation. You may drop it into the offering plate or hand it to an usher after the service. Saturday, June 12th, 2004

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone numbers _____

E-mail _____

I am a first-time visitor.

I have been attending ASC for _____

I wish to: receive **THE WINDOW**, our quarterly newsletter.

have a permanent nametag for Sunday worship.

attend an introduction to ASC and Unitarian Universalism.

I would like to know more about:

Joining ASC

Choir/Music@ASC

Spiritual Practice

Adult Education

Children's Education

Social Action

Financial Giving

Covenant/Small Groups

Public Relations

Volunteering

Building & Grounds

Support Groups

Other _____

ALLELUIA!

At ASC, we raise a hand and circle two fingers above our heads to signal joyous affirmation.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

CRE programming and child care are available during the 11:00 AM service, downstairs in the Perkins Room. An usher will be happy to usher you and your child(ren) there. For further information about our Children's Education Program, please contact Rabbi Berman through the Church Office.

PARKING AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Parking spaces in the alley are rented to private non-ASC users throughout the week and on Saturday until 5:00 PM. Spaces #1 and #2 are for our ministers and must be kept available **at all times**. Parking violators are towed at the owner's expense. We suggest that you park at the Boston Common Garage. Parking on Sundays is available Back Bay Garage for a discount. Discount coupons are in an envelope at the Book Table during Coffee Hour each week. They will also be available from ushers.

THE ARLINGTON STREET CENTER FOR LIBERAL RELIGIOUS INQUIRY AND SPIRITUAL PRACTICE

ASC's "Mini UU University" of Adult Religious Education courses, study groups,

lectures, and Covenant groups, offering a broad variety of opportunities for learning and growth. A complete catalog of programs is available at the ASCenter Table and on our website.

BOOK TABLE

Each Sunday, in the Parish Hall, the Book Table offers a selection of Unitarian Universalist and related titles. Also available are print copies and selected audio recordings of sermons.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

FM amplification headsets are available from the ushers. Please do not remove them from the sanctuary. **Accessible** entry is via the ramp on the Arlington Street alley at the right-hand side of the front doors to the Church. **Braille** hymnals are available! Please ask an usher for assistance.

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The *Prudential Committee* is the elected governing board of ASC. The members are: Judith Delgiacco, Sam Goldfarb, Polly Latham, Vincent Licenziato, Peter Lowber, Ray Moore, Sarah Richards (chair), Art Shirk, and Brian Souza (vice chair). Officers of the Church are Nancy Moore (moderator), Herbert Gleason (vice moderator), Brian Reardon (treasurer), and Carol Smith (clerk).

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